

Red Spy Purge Balloons in High Places

The Soviet Union's explosive spy case keeps getting bigger and bigger—and more heads may yet roll in high Kremlin places.

The list of those linked in one way or another to Col. Oleg V. Penkovsky grew sizably yesterday when it was announced in Moscow that Marshal Sergei S. Varentsov, chief of all Soviet artillery forces, has been ousted and demoted for protecting the late colonel. A Maj. Gen. A. Pozovny and a Col. V. Buzinov, as well as several unnamed civilians, also have been severely disciplined for giving secret information to Col. Penkovsky.

Col. Penkovsky himself, deputy chief of the foreign department of the State Committee for Scientific Research, was convicted in a Moscow show trial early this month of spying for the United States and Britain. His execution was announced May 16.

Others on the list:

Gen. Igor Serov. Formerly the feared head of the Soviet Committee on State Security. A few years ago, he was switched to intelligence chief of the Soviet armed forces. Since December—the time Col. Penkovsky's case was disclosed—he hasn't been in the post. Rumors have him

arrested, even imprisoned. He reportedly was once a friend of Penkovsky's.

Marshal Rodion Malinovsky, Soviet Defense Minister. One of the most powerful men in Russia, he always has been a strong backer of Gen. Serov. By indirection, then, he must have at least known of Col. Penkovsky's doings. So far there is no indication that Marshal Malinovsky is in danger of losing his job, although it is known that his voice sometimes rivals and disagrees with that of Premier Khrushchev.

Frol Kozlov, Premier Khrushchev's chief aid and likely successor until his recent illness. The rumor is that Col. Penkovsky showered Mr. Kozlov's daughters with presents when he returned from one of his frequent trips to Europe. This could mean nothing, or . . . ?

Marshal Matvei Zakharov, chief of staff of the Red Army and Gen. Serov's immediate superior. He has not been seen since March and reportedly has been removed from his post. Col. Penkovsky, at his trial, admitted that Galina Zacharova, a woman with a similar sounding name and associations in high defense circles, was his mistress.

Col. Vassili Petrochenko, head of the State Committee for Scientific Research where Col. Penkovsky worked. French agents have charged that Col. Petrochenko lived in Paris under an assumed name between 1956 and 1958 and set up contacts which Col. Penkovsky later used in his spy activities.

D. M. Gvishiana, Col. Penkovsky's immediate superior on the State Committee for Scientific Research. His job is reported in jeopardy. He is the son-in-law of Alexei Kosygin, presidium member and First Deputy Premier.

Lt. Col. Arkadi Y. Golsov, assistant air attache at the Soviet Embassy in Washington. He was among 300 intelligence chiefs recalled to Moscow for "consultations" following Col. Penkovsky's arrest.

Oleksey Kolchin, an employee in office of the military attache's office at the Soviet Embassy in Washington. He too was recalled to Moscow for "consultation."

Col. Anatoli F. Rybackov, assistant air attache at the Soviet Embassy in Ottawa. Also recalled to Moscow.

Vladimir Serov, son of the feared Ivan Serov. Also recalled to Moscow, from his post in Helsinki, Finland.